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**EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTE (by KB8NW):** There will "NOT" be an OPDX bulletin for May 5th, because I have to travel to Martin, Tennessee, next weekend to help move my daughter back from college. However, if everyone sends their info before I leave or if there is a special announcement, there "MAY" be a bulletin late (very late) May 5th. PLEASE continue to send your DX info to me (you never know!).

**DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT:** According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 20th/April, through Sunday, 27th/April there were 226 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 3X, 4J, 4L, 4S, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C9, CE, CE0Z, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH3, KH6, KH9, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, S0, S2, S5, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T5, T7, T9, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TN, TR, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VK9X, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZK1/s, ZL, ZP, ZS

\* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations. As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

**4A, MEXICO.** Alejandro, XE2BSS, informs OPDX that a group of Mexicans and one U.S.

amateur radio operator will be activating the callsign, **4A2Q**, from **Imuris** in the State of **Sonora**, Mexico (grid DM40). Operations start at 0300z on **May 3th** and will end at about 2200z **May 4th**. Modes of operation will be: CW, PSK31, RTTY and SSB. For this occasion, they will also be active for all passes on UO-14, FO-20 and FO-29 satellites; on the two last passes they will operate CW also. The group will also operate on all bands on HF from 160-10 meters. Operators mentioned are: Gerardo C. Varela/XE2Q, Marco Antonio Soto Gutierrez/XE2TG, Vicente Uriel Martinez/XE2VAS, Marco Antonio Gamboa/XE2SNG, Patrick E. Stoddard/ XE2/WD9EWK, Jesus Meraz/XE2VJM, Manuel Rios/XE2ABB, Alejandro Pereida Mendoza/XE2BSS, Rafael Valdez Ley/XE2PVX, Enrique Romanillo Lopez/XE2SER and David Alonso Rivas Perez/XE2RDA. QSL via WD9EWK, Patrick Stoddard. More information about this special event operation can be found at:

<http://www.qsl.net/wd9ewk/4a2q.html>

**BALLOON EXPERIMENT.** The Italian Amateur Radio Society - Milano Chapter (Associazione Radioamatori Italiani - Sezione di Milano) is proud to announce ARBE: Amateur Radio Ballooning Experiment. A special team will apply APRS technology for balloon ground position monitoring. During the same time a radio operator will fly onboard calling on the amateur radio VHF band (voice, USB) from the Mantova Airport. A special QSL card will be issued for all stations joining the event. QSL Manager will be given during the operations. The callsign used will be **IQ2MI/p**, and please check on 144.300 MHz +/- QRM USB starting at about 0800-0900z on May 10th. Flight should be 1-3 hours long. Due to weather conditions, the flight may be rescheduled for May 17th, same time. In order to get up-to-date information about the ARBE event progress, you can visit the ARI Milano Web site at: <http://www.arimi.it/rubriche/arbe.html> (This page will be activated early May) ARBE is sponsored by the most important Milan Ham Radio Center: EP-Elettroprima srl, Aeronord Balloons & Airships, and the Space Engineering Department of Politecnico di Milano University.

**CASTLE ACTIVITY.** Members of the "Clube Radioamadores do Entroncamento", will use the special callsign, **CS7AL**, and will be active **May 31st** from **Castel Alcanede** (DCFP reference C-112, DMHP reference SR-012 and DMP reference 1416 for the Portuguese Castles Award). Operation will be on 40 and 20 meter SSB. Castel Alcanede is located in the Province of Ribatejo. QSL via CT1BXE, direct or bureau.

**CY9, ST. PAUL ISLAND.** The CY9 DXpedition team is now complete. The operation will take place from **July 24th to August 2nd**, with an entry in the **IOTA Contest**. The team members are Robert/N0RN, Vance/N5VL, Igor/W0IZ, Joe/KO4RR, Andrea/K5AAH (YL), Alan/K5AB and Dale/VE7SV. They will be taking with them a Battle Creek Special and will operate on the low bands during all openings. Callsign will be given either at the beginning of the operation or shortly before. QSL via N5VL. Visit the following Web page for updates: <http://www.hometown.aol.com/vlepievre/myhomepage/index.html>

**DAYTON HAMVENTION HAPPENINGS.** The **Northern Ohio DX Association** (along with WVNO Radio) will once again sponsor a **Hospitality Suite** at this year's Dayton Hamvention. This year's Hospitality Suite will be dedicated to the memory of one of NODXA's "Silent Key" club members Jim Hire, W8ZET. Jim loved ham radio and enjoyed meeting his friends from around the world each year at Dayton. He was also a NODXA "Honorary Life Member" and was very involved with NODXA and the Hospitality Suite. This year Jim's wife, Janeen (now a new ham - KC8BRS) has decided to keep the tradition going and will provide

some special memorabilia of Jim at the Hospitality Suite. Please stop by and visit. It will be in Suite 1011 on the 10th Club Floor of the Crowne Plaza Hotel (old Stouffers) on Friday and Saturday evenings. All DXers/Contesters are welcome. Munchies and refreshments will be available. Come and meet the members and friends of NODXA.

**FP, ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON.** Paul/K9OT and Peg/KB9LIE (YL op) are planning their third annual low-power DX vacation as **FP/K9OT** and **FP/KB9LIE** to **Miquelon (NA-032)** from **July 27th-August 5th**. This will include an entry by **FP/K9OT** in the **CW North American QSO Party**. They will operate both CW and SSB and concentrate on 160, 80, 40, 30, 17, 12, and 10 meters, which are in the greatest demand. Special attention will again be given to QRP stations, mobiles, and VK-ZL-JA-JT-Oceania. QSL via homecalls; bureau cards will be accepted. For direct cards, please include SASE or SAE with one GS or IRC (old or new style). Visit the following Web page for updates at: <http://www.mhtc.net/~k9ot/>

**HS0, THAILAND.** Charles Harpole, K4VUD, will once again activate his Thailand callsign, **HS0ZCW**, for the period of **April 28th to about June 15th**. He states, "Please note... WARC band operations in Thailand are NOT ALLOWED at the present time. Local hams are working on permissions." He also mentions that 80/160 meters operations are only during some contests and only then in small 3 kc windows, CW and SSB.

#### **IOTA NEWS.....**

- **AS-079.** Taka, JR3TVH, will be active as **JR3TVH/6**, from **Miyako Island** (Miyakogun, Sakishima Island, Okinawa-ken) from May 1-4th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters AM/CW/FM/RTTY/SSB. He will set up a 6m beacon on 50.138 MHz looking for 6m DX stations. For skeds, E-mail Taka at: [jr3tvh@arri.net](mailto:jr3tvh@arri.net) QSL via his homecall via the bureau or direct (QRZ.com).
- **EU-125.** Mirko, DJ1AA, was active and scouting out the Island of **Romo**, located in the North Sea Coast Group (QTH of this Island is between Sylt [DL] and Mando Island [OZ]), last week. He plans to possibly be active from here for the upcoming **IOTA Contest** in July. Mirko is the Team Leader for a new IOTA contest group.
- **EU-136.** There has been a slight change in plans!. Boro/9A3KB and Den/9A3FO, members of the IOCA Group (The Islands of Croatia Activators Group) and the CTC (The Croatian Telegraphy Club), are planning to be active from five Croatian islands in the EU-136 group as **homecall/p**, between **May 31st and June 4th**. Their first island will be **Sveti Marko** (IOCA CI-117) **May 31st**. From **May 31st to June 1st**; they will be active from **Krk Island** (CI-046) and **Voscica lighthouse** (CLH 188, Loc: JN75HF); **June 2nd and 3rd** from **Susak Island** (CI-108) and **Garba Lighthouse** (WLHA LH-0444, CLH-031, Loc: JN74DM); **June 3rd** from **Losinj Island** (CI-058); **June 3rd and 4th** from **Cres Island** (CI-012, Grid JN74). Look for them on 80-10 meters, CW only. QSLs via the individual's home callsign, direct or bureau. No e-QSLs, please!
- **EU-148.** Operators/Members of the Castres DX Gang (F5AUB, F5XX, F5BJW, F4CLO, F5JBR, F5UOE, F5BLP and F6DBX) will be active once more from the **Fort Brescou Island** (French Departments Award: Herault/34; French Provinces Award: Languedoc-Roussillon, DIFM ME-001, WLH0500, French Forts and Castles Award DFCF34001), from **May 22-26th**. Activity is planned for HF + 6 meters bands, SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31. There will be at least 4 stations with beams, wires and amps (two on the air using SSB, one using CW and one using PSK31/RTTY/CW). The callsign will be **F5XX/p**. Two members of the crew (namely Bernard F5XX and Andre, F5JBR) will sign TM5B

during the WPX Contest. QSL via F5XX, either direct (envelope + postage) or via the French bureau. More information about the Castres DX Gang is available (in French) at: <http://castres.dx.gang.free.fr/>

- **OC-NEW.** Operators Wen/YB2DGR and Rivai/YB2MTA will activate the Karimata Island Group (YB7 west) from **July 24-30th** (minimum operation is **5 days**, which includes the **IOTA Contest**). IOTA reference number: OC-new (confirmed by G3KMA) WLH reference number: LH-new (until population of island is known) Their time of activity will be 12 hours a day as following the LH powered up (evening). Band activity will be on 15m (mainly SSB) and 20m (mainly CW). They will have two Icom 720 radios with 120 watts output max. QSL Manager will be EA7FTR, Fransisco Lianez Suero. Visit the Karimata Group, YB7 west DXpedition (OC-New) Web page at: <http://www3.ocn.ne.jp/~iota/newpage45.htm>

**KH9, WAKE ISLAND.** Jake, **N6XIV/KH9**, became active from Wake Island at 0740z on **April 22nd**. He came up on 14260 kHz and operated until after 0900z. This was his first operation since arriving on Wake, however, N6XIV/KH9 has been spotted on the internet DX Clusters on April 20th just before 1000z on 30 meters. Jake has confirmed that this station was definitely NOT N6XIV/KH9. There has also been spots on 40 meters CW. His QSL Manager advises that Jake DOES NOT work CW. DO NOT waste your time working and especially QSLing N6XIV/KH9 if heard on CW...it is NOT Jake. He will be on the air as work permits, roughly between 0700z to 0900z, most likely around 14260 kHz. Jake may attempt other bands, but that will be dictated by his very limited operating hours. Also, Jake states he will be on SSB only this trip. QSL via K2FF.

**KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS.** Ann/W2AZK and Brian/KF2HC from the North Jersey DX Association (NJDXA) will sign **homecall/KP2** from **St.Croix, June 12-19th**. SSB and CW activity will be on 160-10 meters. QSL via direct or via the bureau to the call worked. Confirmed QSOs are good towards the "NJDXA Award" See NJDXA's Web page for award details at: <http://www.njdx.org>

**LIGHTHOUSE ACTIVITY.** Look for Jean Claude/**F6HDH** and Francis/**F6HKS** to be active from the following lighthouses which count for the Onshore French Lighthouses (DPLF) Award Program:

- On **May 2nd**, starting 0700z from the **Cap Ferret Lighthouse**, PB049, FRA226.
- On **May 3rd**, starting 0700z from the **Hourtin Lighthouse**, PB055, FRA105.

Jean-Claude, F6HDH, will use SSB on 40 and 20 meters. Francis/F6HKS, will use only CW on 30 meters. QSL via their home callsign, direct or via the French Bureau.

**LX, LUXEMBOURG.** Johannes, DF5AU, will be active as **LX5A** during the **CQ-MIR-DX-Contest** weekend, **May 10-11th**. Activity will be on CW/SSB and on 160-10 meters. QSL via LX1RQ either direct or through the bureau. Visit the Web page at: <http://www.qsl.net/lx5a/activities.htm>

**M, ENGLAND.** John Getz, AD8J, will be active as **M/AD8J** from England during the **CQ WPX-CW Contest, May 24-25th**. QSL to AD8J.

**MJ, JERSEY.** Operators Ekki/DF4OR, Tilman/DJ5BX and Rainer/DL1ZBO will be active

from IOTA **EU-109** from **June 3-9th**. They will be signing **homecall** plus the **MJ prefix** on CW, RTTY and SSB on 80-10 meters. On **June 7-8th**, with the callsign "**MJ/DJ5BX**", they will be participating in the **ANARTS WW RTTY Contest**. QSL via DL1ZBO, direct or Bureau.

**OOOPPPSSS DEPARTMENT**. There was a slight error (actually misunderstanding) in [OPDX.607](#) under "3 YEAR DXPEDITION (Amazing Lady!)". Thanks to Terry, KK6T, for pointing it out. The "1946 Brewer" was a Brewer 46, which is 46 ft. Also, the "1932 Challenger" was a Challenger 32, which is 32 ft.

## **QSL INFO AND NEWS.....**

- James, **9V1YC**, informs OPDX that he has a QSL Manager now. QSL 9V1YC via N5ID.
- Ralph, K2PF, would like to remind readers that the correct QSL route for **AP2ARS** is via K2PF. Some are continuing to send via S53R, and due to Robert's travels, he is not able to respond to QSL requests.
- Champ, E21EIC, was active this past week (April 23-35th) from Si Chang Island (IOTA AS-107) as **E21EIC/P**. QSL via direct or by the Bureau. Visit his Web page at: <http://www.qsl.net/e21eic/>
- Francois, F8DVD, has just returned from his DXpedition to Spitsbergen Island (EU-026) as **JW/F8DVD**. He would like to thank every ham radio who called him, especially all Japanese stations. Francois has made 2400 QSOs during his 5 days stay. QSL is OK via the Bureau or direct with a SASE + IRC or USD to: Francois BERGEZ, 6, rue Liberte/SPAN>, F-71000 MACON, FRANCE.
- Randy, W5UE, reports that the QSLs for the recent trip by the Magnolia DX Association to NA-082/MS002S (Cat Island, MS) as **K5C** are due from the printer any day now. Direct requests sent to K2FF will be answered promptly upon receipt of the cards. Please check out their web page for the operation at: [http://mdxa.org/k5c\\_03.html](http://mdxa.org/k5c_03.html) It includes statistics, photos, on-line log checking and a story of the trip.
- Silvano, KB5GL, was active as **KB5GL/5** from the Breton Islands (NA-089) this past week (April 25-26th). QSL via his home callsign (Silvano Amenta, 5028 Hearst Ave, Metairie, LA 70001, USA) or, for Europe only, via IZ8CCW (Antonio Cannataro, P.O.Box 360, 87100 Cosenza - CS, Italy).
- The **S05X** multi-national team went QRT around 1030z on April 20th, after some 31,000 QSOs. Logs are available at: <http://www.pagus.it/s05x/> The log search facility is up and running, however there might be problems in accessing it due to the browser that is being used. Discrepancies in QSO data should be reported to the QSL Manager following the instructions that will be published on the Web site.
- Ray, W5EW, reports that he is QSL Manager for **J79T** (1989), **VK9EW** and **VK9WB** (1990) and **V63BW** (1992). Requests may be sent to W5EW at: Ray Husher, 202 Washington Ave, Thibodaux, La 70301. SASE is necessary or SAE and IRCs or one (1) USD. Ray will not respond to BUREAU cards. Ray states, "I only seek enough to cover the expense of mailing the QSL nothing extra is necessary."
- **XQ6ET QSL CHANGE**. George, W8UVZ, reports, "XQ6ET (Bob) jumped the gun and changed his QSL route to my callsign without the process being complete - not my desired method but not much I can do at this point." George, W8UVZ, does state that he is in the process of taking over QSL chores for XQ6ET, all dates (But, "in the process"). He currently does not have logs nor any cards. Although, he understands the logs will be



on their way soon. Also, XQ6ET was out of QSL cards, so they will have to be ordered. Ultimately, when George gets going, he will need a minimum SASE from U.S. stations, and SAE from DX stations with one new IRC or one greenstamp. George states, "It's going to be 6-8 weeks before cards for XQ6ET will flow from W8UVZ."

- Terry, N6CW, would like to remind everyone that the QSLs for the current operation by **ZD8A** are via N6CW. Terry accepts direct, Bureau and/or E-mail requests for bureau cards at: [qslvian6cw@aol.com](mailto:qslvian6cw@aol.com) ADDED NOTE: QSL **ZD8R** via N6ND.

**SPECIAL EVENT.** Members of the Georgian ARC "Iveria" will activate the station **4L1W** to commemorate the club's **5th anniversary**, **May 6-7th**. Their activity will be on 20/17/15/10 meters CW/SSB. Check out their Web page at: <http://www.qsl.net/4l1w/>

**SPECIAL EVENT.** Members of the Crimea Contest Club will activate the special event station, **EO58JM**, from the Ukraine between **May 5-11th**. Their activity is to celebrate **58 years since World War II**. QSL will be via KG6AR.

**SPECIAL EVENT.** Wilfredo "Junior" Aviles, KP4ARN, reports that the members of the Caribbean Amateur Radio Group will celebrate their "**Hamfest and Old Timers Recognition Day**" on **May 4th**. The group will use the special callsign, **K4C**, for the event during **May 3-17th**. Look for them on the following suggested frequencies: 28370, 21370, 14270 and 7270 kHz. QSL via KP4ARN (please SASE).

**SPECIAL EVENT.** Between **May 24th and June 1st**, look for the special event station **TM0AR** to be active from the **International Festival of Arts and Technologies** in the Department of **Sarthe** (DDFM 72). Activity will be on the following HF bands: 10/12/15/17/20/40 meters SSB. QSL is via F5TJC, either via the Bureau or direct to: M. Briere-Lecomte J-L, 18 Le Petit St Louis, Route de Theligny, 72400 CORMES, France.

**SPECIAL EVENT.** The Siberian radio amateurs correspondence club "Radio-Prim" was created on May 15, 1993. Look for special event stations using the callsigns **UE9OWQ** and **UE9ORQ** to be active between **May 10-18th** to celebrate the **10th anniversary of the RPC**, and between **June 28-30th** for the **110th anniversary of the capital of Siberia - Novosibirsk**. For more details and on how to receive a special diploma, visit the Web page at: <http://www.nsk.su/~rpc/eh.htm>

**TE75, COSTA RICA.** In celebration of **75 years of amateur radio in Costa Rica**, look for Costa Rican stations to operate using their callsigns with the special prefix **TE75** from **May 1-31st** (2003). This will take place on all authorized bands and modes. The official list of authorized TE75 stations can be found at the Radio Club of Costa Rica (RCCR), Web site at: <http://www.ti0rc.org> QSL routes: All TE75 stations share a common QSL route, which is the Radio Club of Costa Rica (TI0RC). QSL cards are welcome both via direct mail and via the IARU bureau service. Diplomas and awards: The official list of diplomas and awards available will be published by RCCR once the operation has concluded. A minimum of six authorized TE75 stations as well as the official station TE75RC will be required for any diploma.

**TX4, MARQUESAS ISLANDS.** The Italian group is now active from **OC-027** as **TX4PG** until **May 9th**. Activity will be on all HF bands, including 6 meters, and on CW/SSB/PSK/RTTY. Please refer to [OPDX.597](#), [OPDX.602](#) and [OPDX.606](#) for more details and Web page.

**XY, MYANMAR (AS-167 THANKS!).** Frank, DL4KQ (aka XY4KQ), has just returned home from his AS-NEW DXpedition to Myanmar (AS-167 THEBYUKYUN), and he wants to send out his thanks especially to all JA hams for a lot of very nice contacts. He states, "I really enjoyed the famous JA QSO discipline in pile-ups!!! THANK YOU !!!!" However, Frank states, "Activation was unfortunately permitted only for 24 hours by local authorities but I was able to make 1750 QSOs during that short time. I hope to go back again to Myanmar next year (there exist still some other AS-NEW..) possibly with a bigger group to give a better service and a higher number of contacts."

**YA, AFGHANISTAN.** A few stations have been active from here over the past couple of weeks. Last week, Roberto, YN1BB, showed up as **YN1BB/YA** from **Kabul** on 15 meters (usually around/between 21260-21275 kHz after 1145z as last as 1630z). Also, active last week was Nick, G4KUX, as **YA4F** on 6 meters CW/SSB. Watch around 50.108-50.111 MHz between 1445-1630z. He will be here **until April 2004**. QSL via his home callsign. Hiro, JA1CQT, was heard the week before as **YA1CQ** on 17/15/12 meters. Watch around 18153, 21320 and 24955 kHz after 0730z and as late as 1600z. QSL via JA1CQT. "The Daily DX" reportedly states, Hiro, is in Kabul as part of the Basic Human Needs (BHN) contingent. He has been granted temporary permission to operate as YA1CQ until the end of May, but expects to be in Afghanistan for 12 months. The BHN is a nongovernmental organization (NGO) that helps with humanitarian relief efforts. Others associated with the BHN team include Ito "Dan" Sadao, JA1PBV. **YA1JA** is the BHN club callsign.

**YI, IRAQ.** The "ARRL Letter" reports that several radio amateurs, which include some of the world's top operators, are among the United Nations World Food Program (WFP) "Fast Intervention Team" (FITTEST). The personnel is already in Iraq or poised nearby. FITTEST is responsible for building a technical infrastructure to ensure WFP can move relief food supplies rapidly and safely. FITTEST also has a mandate to install or build basic technical networks, including such systems as VHF repeaters, satellite communications and HF fixed and mobile stations. The team also will set up radio rooms, rework administrative procedures, and assign call signs for all UN humanitarian-aid workers and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) -- other international aid organizations. However, any ham radio operations would be secondary to the WFP's efforts in Iraq. Operators mentioned are: Peter Casier/ON6TT (who's expected in Baghdad sometime this week), Robert Kasca/S53R, Mark Demeuleneere/ON4WW and Mats Persson/SM7PKK. Others who are ready to go to Iraq include Ed Giorgadze/4L4FN (aka P5/4L4FN), Patrick Pointu/F5ORF and Mark Tell/VK4KMT, who are just among several other FITTEST team members who are radio amateurs. ADDED NOTE: Peter, ON6TT, states in the ARRL Letter that Diya Sayah, YI1DZ (one of the primary operators at the Baghdad Radio Club's YI1BGD and the WFP's Baghdad telecommunications officer) is safe and well in Iraq. For more details, please read "The ARRL Letter", Vol 22, No 17. Meanwhile, Willie, KV4EB, near Baghdad, was quite active over the past weekend as **KV4EB/YI** on 20/15 meters SSB, SSTV and PSK31. Watch the DX Clusters for QSNs at various times throughout the day.

**ZA, ALBANIA.** The following press release is from Martti, OH2BH: ALBANIA ACTIVITY AS PART OF A 2003 DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (Friday, **April 25th** through Monday, **May 5th**) Following the November fact-finding mission, it is time to put some plans in place. A follow-up project will be formulated with Albanian Ministry of Transport and Telecommunications officials to secure and further develop amateur radio in Albania. Contributing to these valuable activities, a four-man team will once again visit Albania and

activate **ZA1B** on several bands using the regular DX frequencies. Operators are Teemu/SM0WKA, Pekka/OH2TA, Pertti/OH2PM and Martti/OH2BH. They will now have a beam antenna and two Yaesu stations - FT-1000MP and FT-897 with Finn-Fet amps. QSL via OH2BH.

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1) Dial Number. 2) Wait for first ring (the second ring should be a false ring from the fax/data switch box) and then dial four quick ones ("1111"). (NOTE: Some FAX machines that send single "BEEPS" every second will not have to do this step.) 3) The phone will pick up and after the "BEEP" leave your voice message or FAX.